

AGENDA ITEM # 9

January 9, 2004

To: Delta Protection Commission

From: Margit Aramburu, Executive Director

Subject: Consider Sending a Letter to Governor Schwarzenegger Regarding Reappointment of Patrick Johnston as the Delta Regional Representative on the California Bay Delta Authority
(For Public Hearing and Possible Commission Action)

Staff Recommendation:

The Commission should review the draft letter and determine if it should direct staff to send the letter to the Governor.

Background:

The California Bay Delta Authority was created by the Legislature in 2002. Among the members are five regional representatives appointed by the Governor. Governor Davis appointed Patrick Johnston as the representative of the Delta region. To ensure orderly transition of membership, the terms for the public members were staggered; Mr. Johnston was appointed to a one-year term.

Mr. Johnston has attended briefings and Authority meetings, and has shown knowledge and understanding of topics and issues before the Authority and has taken an active role in debate of the matters before the Authority.

Mr. Johnston has a unique understanding of the Delta resources, population, and land uses. He also has personal knowledge of individuals and groups in the Delta, and can communicate with them. His experience allows him to represent the Delta region with understanding and thoughtfulness.

Mr. Johnston has indicated that he is willing and able to continue as the Delta region's representative on the Authority.

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Honorable Arnold Schwarzenegger
Governor of the State of California
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: Support for Reappointment of Patrick Johnston as Delta Region
Representative on the California Bay Delta Authority

Dear Governor Schwarzenegger:

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Mr. Johnston has indicated that he is willing and able to continue as Delta region representative on the Authority.

The Delta Protection Commission recommends that Mr. Johnston be reappointed as the Delta region's representative on the California Bay Delta Authority.

Sincerely,

Patrick McCarty
Chairman